IN RE:

PETITION FOR VARIANCE

SW/Cor. Edgewater Avenue and

Patuxent Avenue

(8030 Edgewater Avenue)
15th Election District
5th Councilmanic District

Maryann Brooks Petitioner BEFORE THE

\* DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

\* Case No. 96-487-A

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# DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

### INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

T0:

Mr. Arnold Jablon, Director

June 17, 1996

Zoning Administration and Development Management

FROM:

Robert A. Wirth And Ins

**DEPRM** 

SUBJECT:

Zoning Item #482 - Brooks Property

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c: Maryann K. Brooks

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Baltimore County Government Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning



Suite 112 Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204

(410) 887-4386

August 2, 1996

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Very truly yours,

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cc: Chesapeake Bay Critical Areas Commission 45 Calvert Street, 2nd Floor, Annapolis, Md. 21401

DEPRM

People's Counsel

File



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to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County for the property located at 8030

This Petition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Development Management.

The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section(s) 1802.3.C.1 (BCZR)

To allow an existing enclosed deck 3 ft., 3 in. side yard setback in lieu of the required 10 ft.

of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or

Replaced Back porch mot knowing required. 3ft 3" from property line.

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations.

I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County.

Contract Purchaser/Lessee.		i/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition.  Legal Owner(s):
(Type or Print Name)		MAMPHO K. BROOKS
Signature		Maryano K. Brooks
Address		(Type or Print Name)
City  Attorney for Petitioner:	State Zipcode	Signature
(Type or Print Name)		8030 Edyware Luc 574-17
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# **EXAMPLE 3** — pning Description



<u>Three</u> copies of the zoning description of your property are required. This is a sample to help you with the description - DO NOT USE THIS FORM FOR "FILL-IN THE BLANK". Type or print the description on 8-1/2" x 11" paper. COPIES OF DEEDS CANNOT BE USED FOR THE DESCRIPTION. The zoning description must be in the following form:

ZONING DESCRIPTION FOR 8030 Edge Water Ave (address)
Beginning at a point on the 500 C D Edgewater a Patuxent five (north, south) east obvest)
WHICH IS
name of street on which property fronts) (number of feet of right-of-way width)
wide at the distance ofof theof theon the
centerline of the nearest improved intersecting street (name of street)
which is wide. *Being Lot# 254 - 257 (number of feet of right-of-way width)
Block, Section # in the subdivision of Chesaco Park (name of subdivision)
as recorded in Baltimore County Plat Book #, Folio #/,
containing 103 Also known as 8030 Edgewater five (property address)
and located in the 15th Election District, 5th Councilmanic District.

\*If your property is not recorded by Plat Book and Folio Number, then DO NOT attempt to use the Lot, Block and Subdivision description as shown, instead state: "As recorded in Deed Liber\_\_\_, Folio\_\_" and include the measurements and directions (metes and bounds only) here and on the plat in the correct location.

Typical metes and bounds: N.87 12' 13" E. 321.1 ft., S.18 27' 03" E.87.2 ft., S.62 19' 00" W. 318 ft., and N.08 15' 22" W. 80 ft. to the place of beginning.

All Comments

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# CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

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THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement was published in THE JEFFERSONIAN, a weekly newspaper published in Towson, Baltimore County, Md., once in each of \_\_\_\_\_ successive weeks, the first publication appearing on \_\_\_\_\_  $\ell_0$  //3\_\_\_\_, 19  $\ell_0$ .

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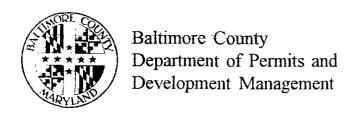
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Development Processing County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

### ZONING HEARING ADVERTISING AND POSTING REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES

Baltimore County zoning regulations require that notice be given to the general public/neighboring property owners relative to property which is the subject of an upcoming zoning hearing. For those petitions which require a public hearing, this notice is accomplished by posting a sign on the property and placement of a notice in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the County.

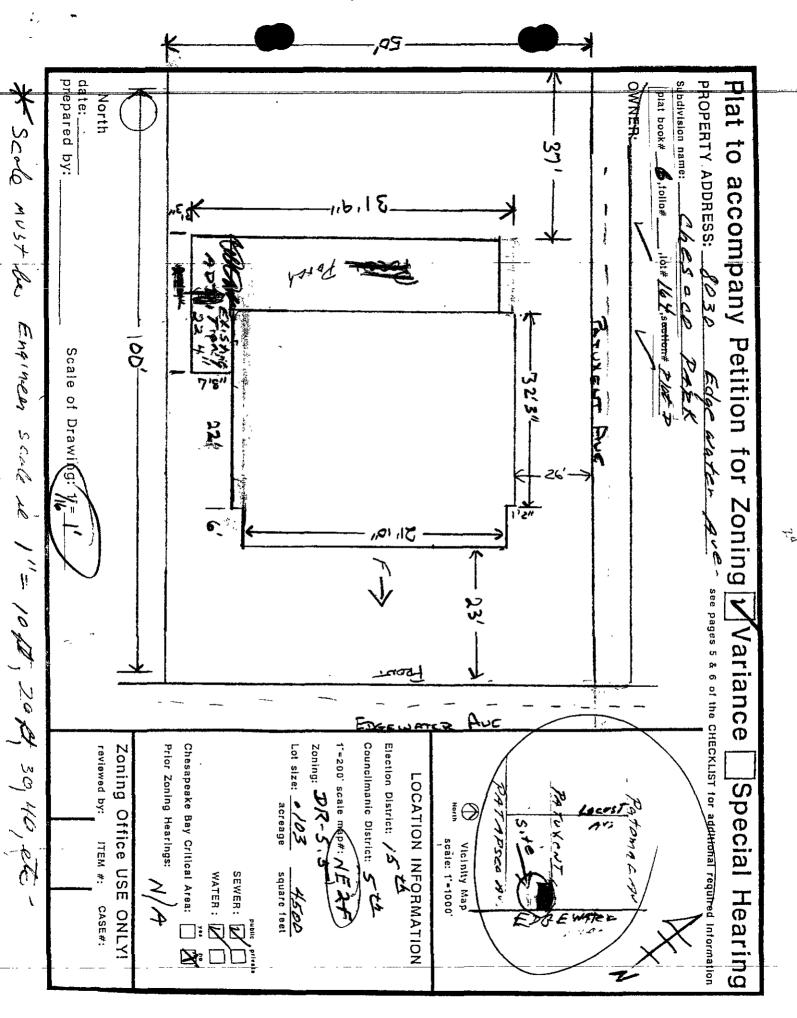
This office will ensure that the legal requirements for posting and advertising are satisfied. However, the petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements.

### PAYMENT WILL BE MADE AS FOLLOWS:

- 1) Posting fees will be accessed and paid to this office at the time of filing.
- 2) Billing for legal advertising, due upon receipt, will come from and should be remitted directly to the newspaper.

NON-PAYMENT OF ADVERTISING FEES WILL STAY ISSUANCE OF ZONING ORDER.

	ARNOLD	JABLON,	DIRECTOR
For newspaper advertising:			
Item No.: 482 Petitioner:			
Location: 8030 Rosewares Aue			
PLEASE FORWARD ADVERTISING BILL TO:			
NAME: MARYAND K. BROOKS		<del>_</del>	
ADDRESS: 8030 KDGEWATER P	for		
BALTO MD 21237			
PHONE NUMBER: (410) 574-1798			



TO: PUTUXENT PUBLISHING COMPANY

June 13, 1996 Issue - Jeffersonian

Please foward billing to:

Maryann K. Brooks 8030 Edgewater venue Baltimore, MD 21237 574-1798

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The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore
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or

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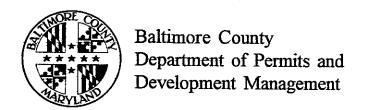
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ZONING COMMISSIONER FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

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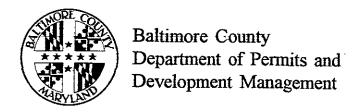
Director

cc: Maryann K. Brooks

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July 3, 1996

Ms. Maryann K. Brooks 8030 Edgewater Avenue Baltimore, MD 21237

> RE: Item No.: 482

> > Case No.: 96-487-A

Petitioner: Maryann Brooks

Dear Ms. Brooks:

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC), which consists of representatives from Baltimore County approval agencies, has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition, which was accepted for processing by Permits and Development Management (PDM), Zoning Review, on May 31, 1996.

Any comments submitted thus far from the members of ZAC that offer or request information on your petition are attached. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties (zoning commissioner, attorney, petitioner, etc.) are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case. Only those comments that are informative will be forwarded to you; those that are not informative will be placed in the permanent case file.

If you need further information or have any questions regarding these comments, please do not hesitate to contact the commenting agency or Roslyn Eubanks in the zoning office (887-3391).

W. Carl Richards, Jr.

Zoning Supervisor

WCR/re Attachment(s)

### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

### DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

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TO:

Mr. Arnold Jablon. Director

June 17, 1996

Zoning Administration and Development Management

FROM:

Robert A. Wirth And Ins

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# Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration

David L. Winstead Secretary Hal Kassoff Administrator

6-7-96

Ms. Joyce Watson Baltimore County Office of Permits and Development Management County Office Building, Room 109 Towson, Maryland 21204

RE:

Baltimore County Item No. 482 (RT)

Dear Ms. Watson:

This office has reviewed the referenced item and we have no objection to approval as it does not access a State roadway and is not affected by any State Highway Administration projects.

Please contact Bob Small at 410-545-5581 if you have any questions.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this item.

Very truly yours, Bob Small

Ronald Burns, Chief Engineering Access Permits

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### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

### INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

Permits and Development

Management

**DATE:** June 12, 1996

FROM:

Pat Keller, Director

Office of Planning

SUBJECT:

Petitions from Zoning Advisory Committee

Cany L. Kerns

The Office of Planning has no comments on the following petition(s):

Item No. 467, 471, 472, 473, 474, 480 482, 484, 485, 488, and 489

If there should be any further questions or if this office can provide additional information, please contact Jeffrey Long in the Office of Planning at 887-3495.

PK/JL

### Baltimore County Government Fire Department



700 East Joppa Road Towson, MD 21286-5500 Office of the Fire Marshal (410) 887-4880

DATE: 06/11/96

Arnold Jablon
Director
Zoning Administration and
Development Management
Baltimore County Office Building
Towson, MD 21204
MAIL STOP-1105

RE: Property Owner: SEE BELOW

Location: DISTRIBUTION MEETING OF JUNE 10, 1996.

Item No.: SEE BELOW Zoning Agenda:

### Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

8. The Fire Marshal's Office has no comments at this time, IN REFERENCE TO THE FOLLOWING ITEM NUMBERS:471,472,474,475,480 & 482.

REVIEWER: LT. ROBERT P. SAUERWALD

Fire Marshal Office, PHONE 887-4881, MS-1102F

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# PETITION PROBLEMS

### #473 --- MJK

1. No printed name or title for contract purchaser.

# #475 --- JCM

- 1. No telephone number for legal owner.
- 2. Need authorization for person signing for legal owner.

### #476 --- JLL

- 1. Who signed for legal owner??? Need printed name and title.
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## #477 --- MJK

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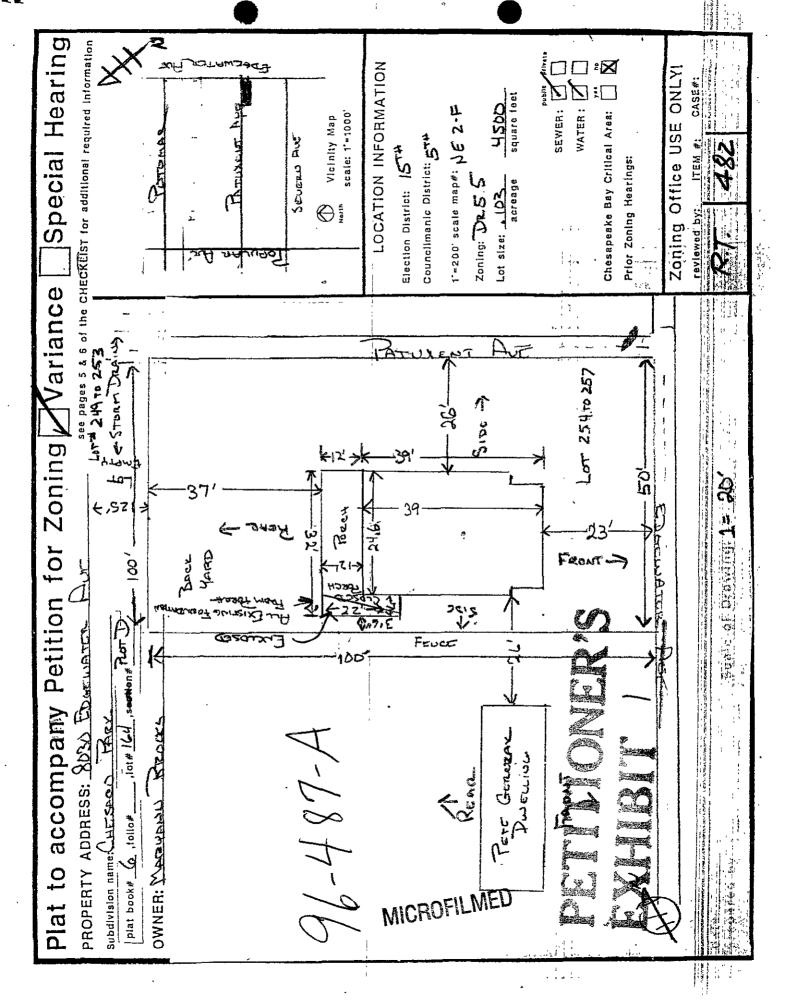
CAROLE S. DEMILIO

Deputy People's Counsel Room 47, Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204 (410) 887-2188

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 1996, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Maryann K. Brooks, 8030 Edgewater Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21237, Petitioner.

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN



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**Baltimore County Government** Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning

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for the property located at 8030 Edgewater for which is presently zoned Residents This Petition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Development Management. The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section(s) 1802.3.C.1 (BCZR) To allow an existing enclosed deck 3 ft., 3 in. side yard setback in lieu of the required 10 ft. of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or Replaced Back porch mot knowing permit was required. 3++ 3" from property line Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County. (We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the benaties of peruny, that live are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition Contract Purchaser/Lessee 3alto. MO. 21237 Name, Address and phone number of representative to be corracted. James or MARYAND

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**EXAMPLE 3** -- pning Description

Three copies of the zoning description of your property are required. This is a sample to help you with the description - DO NOT USE THIS FORM FOR "FILL-IN THE BLANK". Type or print the description on 8-1/2" x 11" paper. COPIES OF DEEDS CANNOT BE USED FOR THE DESCRIPTION. The zoning description must be in the

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ZONING DESCRIPTION FOR 8030 Edgewater Ave
Beginning at a point on the SWCA Edgewater a Futuxent Tive.  (north, south) east occupation.
which is

as recorded in Baltimore County Plat Book # \_ 6 \_ Folio # / 6 4

containing / 0.3 \_\_\_\_ Also known as 8030 <u>Edgewater five</u>
(properly address) and located in the 15% Election District, 5% Councilmanic District

> \*If your property is not recorded by Plat Book and Folio Number, then DO NOT attempt to use the Lot, Block and Subdivision description as shown, instead state: "As recorded in Deed Liber \_\_\_. Folio \_\_" and include the measurements and directions (metes and bounds only) here and on the plat in the Typical metes and bounds: N.87, 12' 13" E. 321 1 it., S.18 27' 03" E.87.2 ft., S.62, 19' 00" W. 318 ft., and N.03, 15' 22" W. 80 ft. to the place of beginning.

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With construction of the porch, the applicant has exceeded impervious surface limits required in Limited Developed Area of the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area. As such, the zoning variance should be conditioned on complying with this requirement, which will require removal of impervious surfaces or approval of a Critical Area Administrative variance. The applicant is urged to call Mr. Steve Armiger of Environmental Impact Review at 887-3980.